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THE CONQUEROR—he shall be clothed in white garments, and I shall not at all erase his name from the book of life, but I shall acknowledge his name before my Father and before his Divinities.

THE CONQUEROR shall not at all be punished by the second death. He who has an ear to hear, let him hear.

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THE WORLD IS WAITING FOR THE SUNRISE!

ND the sunrise is to usher in the Rights of Man and declare the New Freedom of Peace and Good Will on Earth and an Era of spiritual yearning to supplant the worldly appetites and passions which have heretofore clouded the horizon.

Our civilization today is psychologized to such a degree that what happens in one locality happens in every other locality. Mass psychology operated above the heads of the American People since the World War has driven us down, down into the pits of Hell. Everything has practically gone to the dogs. Sensation has swamped everything of a spiritual nature until our people crave sensation even in their pulpits and a basket-ball game or the latest tango waltz is not uncommon on our parish floors.

But who is to bring us back to our senses and who is to stand against the inroads of the Devil? No one but one who has himself conquered the Beast in himself and reached a high spiritual keynote where he can expose the rottenness rampant in America today, where the underworld has risen to the mental plane and our books, newspapers, movies and pulpits are filled with pictures that degrade instead of elevate.

The New Religion of America must embody Salvation from within and not from without. The People must find their Liberation within themselves and not in the Churches. No man can forgive another man's sins, for he has well enough to forgive and work out his own sins and salvation. Evolution works from within, out, and not from without, in. The Spiritual focus of forces are always preceded by an onslaught of lower psychic forces, hence today South Sea Island music in jazz form with a display of pretty legs and open corsets flood our public gaze. the country must be fed up on this low, base vulgarity before it comes to see that it is going to Hell by the express route and a public protest will put a stop to these worldlings from capturing the Soul of the American Republic and destroying it past resurrection.

Purity, honesty, virtue and righteousness will be the outstanding features of the Spiritual Age. No man will seduce his own child or sister, neither will any man look upon any other woman with lustful eyes, for he will see naught but the Spirit within her and his thoughts will be on a Spiritual level where he sees his own Soul reflection in the opposite sex. Passions will be subdued, appetites quieted and naught will occupy the mind of men and women but the wonders of creation whose children they are and the Mysteries of the Kingdom of God will lay bare the Immortal side of their natures and each and every human being will be content with knowledge and wisdom that liberates them from the physical state of Hell known as bodily sensation. They will not seek it, rather will they concentrate on LIBERATION from it; and rise above the miasma of thought-currents which have heretofore swamped their souls into sensation and clouded their Divine Life and Spirit individuality.

Conquer your thoughts and you will conquer your appetites and passions and rise to a spiritual level here on Earth where everything operates from within and not from without. Eating of meat will be supplanted with a purely vegetable diet which keeps the passions and worldly animal appetites down, for bear in mind fleshly appetites engender fierce passions and fierce passions destroy the Solar or Spiritual Body and with the loss of the creative force our vibration drops to a low level and we lose so much ground spiritually.

Hence the New Order will be one of self-control and self-reliance. Your minds will be like new electric batteries which transport naught but high spiritual voltage over silver wires and the Kingdom of God will be ushered in when once all Humanity comes under the influence of the Higher Self which is the same in each and every individual.

The World is Waiting for the Sunrise, but before the Dawn a terrible downpour of wrath and venom must come over us for the Old Devil dies hard and wants to possess our World Kingdom for everymore. But so long, dear dark Deceiver, for we shall fly without wings and transport ourselves to Spiritual Realms here and now; and not need to wait until the grave yawns for us and destroys our chance of Liberation and Salvation until another Earth life.

LIFE UNVEILED

MANY writers have endeavored to portray life as a reality to be desired, a fixed goal to be attained, a channel leading to higher things; a raison de 'etre for the Immortal. But I have an altogether different conception from anything heretofore expressed by human kind.

Life itself is a curse and woe be unto him who regards the shadow as the substance. Birth. death, old age and sickness are the antecedents of Life, a terrible sink-hole where human kind work out their Salvation. When a man reaches the state, (and they rarely do) where he sees Life truly in its hideous aspect as a prison of the Soul. a tomb of his true Individuality, then will he seek to free himself of all that goes to make up Life what it is: a reflector of his hidden mysterious thoughts which go to make up the sum-total of Life itself; then will he seek to give rather than to take, then will he see himself as the true sacrifice which must be sacrificed in order to bring back into his true individuality the myriads which he heretofore regarded as separate and different from himself; for what he truly sees outside himself as people and things is due merely to the breaking up of consciousness which brought him into being when he was born. Hence, I say what is Life but the disappointment of Death at its final conclusion.

Mortuary

The death of the body by no means frees the Soul; for until the Soul is freed while in the life body, the thought form attached to the body will still continue to make new bodies in other lives. Subdue the passions and deny the appetites, renounce the World and regard it alone as the reflector of past earth-life thoughts and determine to conquer them as a condition within yourself and you already have immortal laurels upon your brow.

All things are consciousness spread over man like a gossamer weave to be dissipated when he finds his true SELF. Thus the World is false; the SELF alone is real.

THE NATURAL MAN AND THE SPIRITUAL MAN

THERE is a natural man and there is a spiritual man and the spiritual man functions on the earth plane here and now. But the difference between the spiritual man and the natural man is that the spiritual man does not require a body to function through whereas the natural man would not be a man without it.

Now the pleasures of the natural man, his firm foundation is the sense organs of feeling hearing, seeing, smelling, tasting and thinking whereby he judges touch, fineness, sound, distance, color, form, odor, flavour and thought.

The pleasures of the spiritual man are the elimination as far as possible of all sense organs even to the subtle thought-producing mind, an inverted picture of the whole sensorium which records physical plane phenomena. In short the three-fold dimension of the senses are supplanted by the four-fold dimension of the Spirit and distance, color, form, odor, flavour, touch and sound, vea even thought are swallowed up in a vibration peculiar to the Higher Self within. For henceforward the Man lives in a World of his own making, and thought always precedes action, previously enacted before physical sense phenomena has a chance to record itself on his physical brain. He now lives not in the World but above it, hence the words: "My Kingdom is not of this World." truly comes into being.

The Spiritual man comprehends himself as the ALL, and all things seemingly without are now apprehended as the phenomena of his own consciousness within. He enjoys the World revolving about him as a mirage of his own true Spirit Self with which he is constantly in communion and without which his seemingly outside World would vanish.

No man of the World can understand these words for they are truly for the man of the Spirit, he alone comprehends their true meaning and spiritual significance. Now comes the question of Immortality, for no man can become Immortal until the natural World becomes unnatural-to him.

The pleasures of the physical man are now regarded as unnatural and the birds, flowers, children and beauties of the landscape forsaken for higher spiritual conceptions which embrace the taste of everlastingness in that they do not pass away when the physical body passes away, for they are supported by a region of *inner senses* which record only the realities of the higher self which functions on a plane of Spirit, imperishable and forever sustained by the beauties and sanctities of his own Immortal nature.

The Cinder

Life is a cinder hot from the furnace of Hell, devoid of substance, an imitation of what it once was before it was born into the World. A mockery at best, a degrading fancy that leads us down, down into the pits to relish our desires and satiate our cravings. And when the spawn is spent, the delicious cup emptied, we lay beneath six feet of Mother Earth, a fool of fools to have wasted our substance on a shadow; to have given up our Soul for a taste of Death.

The birds in the tree tops are weary of hearing our praise of them, the flowers are fearful lest we guess their doleful message of hatred which accompanies us to our graves. The sunlight gives light to those only who love it; to others who know better their eyes out would serve them better than any sun.

And so goes the merry World of Hell. Success, all success were it not that the Grave claims them in the end and only those who know the Song of Darkness and who worship at the Shrine

Within, which is the Shrine of Oblivion to the outer World dare care to save the World by sacrificing themselves upon the Pyre of Solomon where Wisdom arises and the Darkness of Night dissipates the Day of Hell on Earth called our Beloved World.

THE NEW RELIGION OF AMERICA

THE NEW RELIGION OF AMERICA is the man to man religion, irrespective of creeds dogma or formula. The Religion of self-reliance and self-dependance linked with individual responsibility is now shown to be the Supreme Path here on earth to the heights of Freedom. Liberation and Redemption mean nothing more or less in the New Religion than final release from the bondage of physical-sense-attachment, where the eyes of the Spirit see through the outer garb of the eyes of the flesh, and attains its oneness with the Supreme Spirit within the heart which has been so long obscured by the sense objects, which hold men down to the level of the beast and the lion.

Now the East has its Buddha, its Zoroaster, its Mohammed, its Confucius, while the West has its Jesus, which is the eye-idol of all those who follow in his foot-steps and aspire to become Christs and Saviours.

But the New Religion cares nothing for the idols of the Religions of the past. These idols were for an Evolution that was and are now covered with moss and stinking corruption that ever attends idols when too long burdened upon the human race.

The new idols of the New Religion are to be American Idols and not Foreign Idols. For while the foreign idols need interpretation for their long past dead, who take advantage of the masses in the way of priests, preachers, reformers and politicians, the new idols need no such interpretation from without, but their interpretation lies from within each and every individual American, who sense that the Idol and the God within are one and the same thing, ever striving, ever attaining to lift the common man of a common humanity to the height and level, where if there were no common, there would be no Gods.

Now Washington and Lincoln are the New Idols of the New Religion, both risen from an obscure beginning, burdened with the glitter and pomp of earthly kings, with crowns, money-bags and influence. These two Idols broke through the conventional ways of the human race which in the past bowed, served and obeyed their Masters, and proclaimed a NEW ERA to Humanity where they can in all truth say that I AND MY FATHER ARE ONE.

The Christianity of today is a Christianity of the Past only fit for those who have not yet risen in the Spirit and sensed their oneness with the Divine within them. The New Religion will relegate to itself all that is honorable and commendable in the Religion of the Past, but will add the Dome of Spirit to the superstructure and give humanity what they have been longing for in their hearts for ages, namely, an earthly glimpse of the Kingdom of Heaven here and now, without any dependance upon Churches or Organiza-

tions, but where under the canopy of God's Great Kingdom, they may all feel and realize that they are the Chosen Ones of God and not the Intermediates and Plenipotentiaries who have led them away from rather than to the only real GOD, within themselves.

We have given a short relay in the last few issues of DIVINE LIFE of the position which Washington held in his office of Liberator of the New Humanity; now we will advert to the position which Lincoln held in Breaking the Bonds of Universal Foreign Religions and influences, unnatural to Americans, because it forever yields them to look outward for their Salvation and Liberation, and not inward to their own very selves, making them self-dependant and self-reliant, and seeking to overthrow the scheming machinations of preacher and priest to burden humanity and give them immortal life here and now, and not beyond the grave!

(To be Continued)

THE BHAGAVAD GITA READING THE FOURTEENTH

—By John Davies— The Holy One spoke

NOW I will further declare that sublime science, the chief of the sciences, by which all the munis have passed from this world to the highest perfection (nirvana).

Having devoted themselves to this science, and having entered into my nature they are not born again even in a new creation, and in the dissolution (of the world) they are not disturbed. The mighty Brahma is my womb; therein I place the living germ, and from this comes the birth of all things that exist, O son of Bharata!

In whatever wombs mortals are born, O son of Kunti! Brahma is their mighty womb, and I the seed-giving Sire.

"Goodness," "Passion," and "Darkness"; thus are named the modes (gunas) which spring from Nature (Prakriti), and bind down the eternal, embodied (soul) in the body, O large-armed one!

Of these, "goodness," being lustrous and pure from its unsullied nature, binds (the soul), O sinless one! by the attachment (bond) of happiness and of knowledge.

Know that "passion," having the nature of desire, and being the source of attachment and craving, binds the embodied (soul), O son of Kunti! by the attachment of work.

But know that "darkness," born of ignorance, which bewilders all embodied (souls), binds them, O son of Bharata! by stupidity, idleness, and sleep.

"Goodness" binds (the soul to matter) by pleasure; "passion," O son of Bharata! by works; but "darkness," having veiled knowledge, binds by stupid folly.

When one has subdued "passion" and "darkness," then "goodness" (alone) exists, O son of Bharata! When "passion" and "goodness," then "darkness" exists; and "passion" when "darkness" and "goodness" (are subdued).

When in this body, at all its gates, the bright light of knowledge is produced, then one may know that "goodness" is matured.

Avarice, activity, the undertaking of works, unrest, and desire,—these are produced, O chief of Bharatas! when "passion" is matured.

Darkness, inertness, and also stupidity and bebilderment,—these are produced, O son of Kuru! when "darkness" is matured.

If, moreover, a mortal goes to dissolution, when "goodness" is matured (in him), then he goes to the spotless regions of those who are supremely wise.

If he go to dissoultion when "passion" prevails, he is born among those who are attached to works; if he depart when "darkness" prevails, he is born in the wombs of the stupid.

The fruit of a good action is said (to have the property of) "goodness," and to be unsullied; but the fruit of "passion" is pain, and the fruit of "darkness" is ignorance.

Knowledge is produced from "goodness," avarice from "passion"; stupidity delusion, and ignorance also, from "darkness."

They who are established in "goodness" go on high; they whose nature is of "passion" dwell in the middle place; but the "dark," who abide in a state of vile qualities, go below.

When the observer recognises no other agent, than the modes (of Nature) and knows That which is above the modes, he comes to my being.

When the embodied (soul) has passed beyond the three modes, from which all bodies have sprung, then, freed from birth, death, old age, and pain, it eats immortal food. (amrita.)

Arjuna spoke

What marks are those, O Lord! of the man

who has passed beyond the three modes? What is his manner of life, and how does he pass beyond these three modes?

The Holy One spoke

He who has no aversion, O son of Pandu! for brightness, activity, and even delusion, when they are present, nor desires them when they are absent:

Who, seated as a stranger, is not moved by the modes, who stands apart and wavers not saying, "The modes are now in action";

To whom pleasure and pain are the same, who is self-possessed; to whom a clod, a stone, and gold are the same; who holds as equal things loved and unloved; who is steadfast; to whom praise and blame are equal;

And equal, too, honour and dishonour; who regards friend and foe alike; who renounces all enterprise—he is called a "surmounter of the modes."

And he who worships Me by an exclusive devotion in yoga, he having passed beyond the modes, is conformed to the nature of Brahma.

For I am the seat of Brahma, of the imperishable ambrosia, of eternal law, and of happiness complete.

Thus the Bhagavad Gita, Reading the Four-teenth, whose title is,

"DEVOTION BY SEPARATION FROM THE THREE MODES."

John Davies Translation.

THE PATH TO WISDOM

A CONCEPTION is the idea conveyed to the consciousness through the mind. The lower mind receives its impressions through the senses, or emotions closely related to the senses, therefore such impressions are more or less coloured by the state of the feelings and when the feelings are abnormal, perverted or uncontrolled the mental image or idea received by the consciousness will be delusive, leading to a false judgment.

While the higher mind operates on a plane above the illusions of the senses and is, therefore, able to perceive truth clearly—to see the real causes of things and is thereby enabled to form a correct, unbiased judgment. The higher mind contacts the world of spirit, while the lower mind is dominated by the things belonging to the material world, and thus the latter is rightly termed the world of illusions; its objects are real enough in their way but our conceptions of them and of our associates as viewed from this standpoint, may be altogether misleading, and so long as the attention is confined to life in its lower manifestations one cannot receive the true and higher knowledge, for it does not come by way of the senses and only when the senses are stilled can the wisdom from above be reflected on the lower mind and become cognizable to the personality

Morbid feelings give rise to strange fancies, anger throws the mind out of balance leading to erroneous judgment, cruel aspersions and unfriendly criticism or even deeds of violence, and we well know the startling images called forth

by fear that have no foundation in fact. Jealousy may lead to all sorts of false ideas and accusations. O, how bitterly one may misjudge others due to their false conception based on the state of their feelings; the feeling may be only temporary, but the conception may be retained for a long time leading to the hurt and wrong of the one against whom it is entertained. Hence we see the necessity of self-control—of restraining the impulses that are ever active in the lower nature. Thus we see how the mind is influenced through the feelings and the necessity of controlling the emotions.

Now the mind is both positive and negative in its action; in its negative aspect it is allied with the sympathetic nervous system, receptive in its nature and closely related to the feelings, emotions and imagination, while in its positive aspect it is associated with the cerebro-spinal nervous system through which it manifests as the will. Thus if we live in our emotions and are ruled by them we are negative and receptive to any adverse or exciting influence that comes along, but if we make use of the mind in its positive attitude, which is its creative, controlling aspect, then by means of the will we can subdue and subjugate the emotive nature and become more and more receptive to the impressions and guidance of the Higher Self who will then uplift us as far as possible to its own level of consciousness. Then we shall no longer be blinded by false appearances, or misled by conceptions of the imaginative. Everything takes on a new and deeper meaning and our attitude toward everything is changed, for we now see beyond the phenomena of the material world God's own—World of Truth, Wisdom, Justice and Love and henceforth Divine Truth shall be the light that shall guide us on.

-Ella L. Layson, Cal., U. S. A.

ISIS (NATURE) UNVEILED

SOME complain of my making too oft repeated use of the terms "lower self" and "Higher self"; when in reality it is a contraction of the term Quaternary, the lower four principles, which comprise the lower self; and the term "Triad," the three higher principles which comprise the Higher Self; and we may place the Thinker or Ego midway between these two, as it is connected with all the lower principles (the personal self) and uses them as its instruments to come in touch with the outer or sense world; while it is also connected with the three higher principles, which the Higher Self uses to manifest the inner world or higher planes of being to the outer world of the senses.

When the divine Ego, the Immortal Pilgrim, has become the Master of the seven-fold Path, or seven Portals, meaning the seven principles in man, then it can ascend and descend the ladder of Mystic Sounds, or the ladder of the different planes of vibration. The Divine Ego may be said to be active and passive. When in union with Buddhi it is active, or the divine Will is in action, and it is all powerful, or in Biblical phraseology, Almighty. It has the power to subject the con-

sciousness of all the cells of the body and compel them to do its bidding; that is, it can change the polarity of all the cell-consciousness and center it in the one Will, and they all obey that one Will, and for the time being they have no separate consciousness of their own. The brain cells also obey the divine Will, and are thus enabled to reflect what is created by the divine Will out of uncreate Wisdom or Akasic Sound, what I term The Voice of the inner Master—a voice of sweetest harmony, using no words, but of a higher order of utterance, that holds the power or will, to make the man speak to himself in his own language, using his own terms, or to write the same.

When that for which the divine Will became active is accomplished, the consciousness of the cells of the body are no longer centered in the One, and they again become self-conscious and the equilibrium of the body is again established.

While the divine Will is active the cells of the body have no consciousness of being tired. The body can "run and not be weary; walk and not faint." The body is not conscious of effort as there is no effort of the personal will. Hence one, for instance, may go "down town" and return, and have only a faint consciousness of the activity of the body, as the body has been only the automatic instrument acted upon by the divine Will, or, in other words, an automaton, or the Self-acting Will.

—Celestia Root Lang.

SPIRITUAL RESULTS!

To is rather amusing to hear people speak of spiritual things when all the time they refer to gross material benefits. Calvin Coolidge in the majority of his public addresses usually concluded with a praise of things spiritual and a "thus spake the Lord God of Hosts," to give the people the impression that all his materialistic viewpoints were imbued with the main substratum of spirituality. When all the time Calvin was simply an orthodox-bound materialist as are all seventh day churchgoers who worship Mammon six days the week and praise the Lord on the seventh.

Now it seems Herbert Hoover has caught on to Calvin's ways of invoking the Blessing of the Almighty after giving due credit to Science and the men who brought about the blessings conferred upon mankind in the nature of purely material benefits.

I refer specifically to Mr. Hoover's address at Detroit, Michigan, at the celebration commemorating the 50th anniversary of the perfection of the electric lamps in honor of Thos. Edison which announcement appeared in the Los Angeles Times of Oct. 22nd under the caption of "Spiritual Results." Says Mr. Hoover:

"And scientific research means more than its practical results in increased living comfort." "The future of our nation is not merely a question of the development of our industries, of reducing the cost of living, of multiplying our harvests, or of larger leisure.

"We constantly strengthen the fiber of national life by the inculcation of that veracity of thought which springs from the search for truth. From its pursuits we shall discover the unfolding of beauty we shall stimulate aspirations for knowledge, we shall ever widen human understanding."

If this is Mr. Hoover's conception of Spiritual Results he had best refrain from mentioning them at all; for as with Calvin Coolidge his praise of things spiritual always comes last in order to appease the wrath of an avenging God who might take it out on Hoover if he did not refer to Him in the midst of the showers of materialistic benefits which have been his good fortune to acquire.

A RINGING APPEAL

San Bernardino, Calif., Oct. 21st. 1929.

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